

Community of Grace Lutheran Church
CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
Special Session
February 27, 2018

Those present: Jodi Bendt, Sandy Anderson, Mike Verley, Michelle Blankenship, Mark Schuneman, Dan McMahon, Tim Orf, Mike Preston, Mike Mathisen, Jeff Montgomery, Steve Turnbull, Rachel Thoren. Maia Hendrickson arriving at 8:30 p.m.

Excused: Ken Colberg

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Refreshments and devotions by Jodi Bendt and Sandy Anderson.

Minutes for the January and February meetings will be reviewed at the next regular meeting on March 22. Pre-meeting preparation in the form of reviewing relevant documents was undertaken.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Sandy Anderson.

Motion made on behalf of Magnuson Christian School (MCS): Allow MCS to proceed with establishing a MCS preschool residing within the Community of Grace Lutheran Church facility and not renew the lease with Lake Area Discover Center (LADC) on April 1, 2018.

Discussion held regarding the curriculum (current First Discoveries Preschool of Eagle Brook Church of White Bear Lake curriculum) and business plan presented by MCS. Concern was expressed for current LADC families who utilize infant care, wrap around care, and summer care, none of which are in current plans for MCS preschool. The idea was put forward that while MCS does need a strong Kindergarten feeder system, there is a general belief that LADC can fill that role with careful attention to a partnership.

Motion denied.

On February 28, 2018, Sandy Anderson will be meeting with both LADC and Magnuson to share findings and decisions and will discuss the way forward as partners.

President's Report:

- March 9, 6-9 p.m. and March 10, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.: Staff/Council Retreat at the home of Mike Mathisen.
- Offering for March: Mike Mathisen at 9 a.m. and Mike Verley at 10:30 a.m.

Next Council meeting on March 22.

Devotions and refreshments for the meeting on March 22 will be provided by Jeff Montgomery and Steve Turnbull

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Michelle Blankenship
Executive Secretary